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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Comments Survey of China Mainland Press,
Hong Kong, 19 December 1967

1. This item is one of many thousands of varied pieces of unclassified printed matter such as metropolitan and regional newspapers, street posters, party instructions, and localized handouts that are brought to Hong Kong for review by western intelligence personnel. It was called to my attention on 28 December by [redacted] of OSI.

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2. I called [redacted] Chief of the China Division, OCI, on the same date to get his views on this class of paper inasmuch as his shop routinely assesses large volumes of this output from the paper mills at Hong Kong. He feels that this is a Red Guard bulletin or hand-out printed in Canton. As such it would have a relatively small circulation. This item is not known to have appeared in any newspaper in any city and in that sense it has less stature than a formal press item.

3. Over the months, he has observed a number of rather wild Red Guard publications and therefore has a very low opinion of the substantive content of all material produced by that organization.

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Chief, Intelligence Division
Office of Special Activities

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Good News

(Canton Hsiang Pei-ching T'ung-hsün [Correspondence to Peking], No. 1, October 20, 1967)

X According to a reliable source: The U-2 plane which, according to a report on September 8 was shot down by us, was forced to land by three planes of our heroic Air Force. The locality was a certain place in Kiangsu. The plane was intact. This was a great victory for the great thought of Mao Tse-tung.

X Over 8,000 factories in Shanghai have now achieved revolutionary great alliances, representing 70 percent of factories in the whole municipality. The first half-yearly plan for textile industry in Shanghai has been overfulfilled. Total output value is 101 percent of that specified in the plan. Forty-five kinds of new products have also been successfully made.

X In Shantung province, the State plans for monthly and quarterly textile outputs in the first half of this year have been overfulfilled in an all-round manner. The plan for the total output value has been overfulfilled by over 10 percent. The plan for output of such principal products as cotton yarn and cotton cloth has been overfulfilled by about 10 percent. The quality of products has been stabilized and improved, and production costs have dropped to a remarkable extent, the drop being more than half that specified in the plan. Productivity of labor has increased by over 16 percent as compared with that in the corresponding period of last year. The total output of cotton yarn and cotton cloth and productivity of labor have exceeded the record level in the history of textile industry in Shantung province.

X Luminous plastic busts of Chairman Mao and memorial badges have been successfully made by Changchun Plastics Works. These plastic busts and memorial badges look green in daylight and glitter at night, "symbolizing the immeasurable radiance of the invincible thought of Mao Tse-tung!"

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